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Charles L.A. Terreni  
Chief Clerk & Administrator  
Public Service Commission of South Carolina  
101 Executive Center Drive  
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Re: Docket No.:2004-141-E – Request for Order Authorizing Amendment of  
Revolving Credit Facility to Extend Maturity Date

Dear Mr. Terreni:

This is to acknowledge that the Office of Regulatory Staff has reviewed the above referenced filing and based on the following information we have no objection to the Company's request for an order authorizing an amendment of its credit facility to extend the maturity date. The credit facility is an existing credit facility. Beyond extension of the maturity date by three years, there is no material change in the facility. The extension of the maturity date reestablishes a historical practice now that market conditions are again favorable to it. ORS finds the modification of the credit facility consistent with the public interest and previous practice.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide our comments in this matter.

Sincerely,

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